

On January 24, 2013, Amtrak modified the C3RS Implementing Memorandum of Understanding (IMOU) provisions to extend boundaries for relief and include additional protection for tenant operations within the limits of Amtrak's Sunnyside Yard. FRA granted relief for the changes on May 8, 2013.

The July 23, 2014, petition states that the current IMOU, dated May 11, 2010, and subsequent amendments that govern the pilot program will be replaced with a new IMOU. Amtrak, employees represented by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET) and the Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers Transportation Division (SMART-TD), and FRA intend to sign the new IMOU that will be effective on December 1, 2014, replacing the original IMOU as current relief expires.

The new IMOU is based on a revised template provided by FRA and will provide provisions similar to the current IMOU plus Article 3.2 that will extend protections to tenant locomotive engineers and conductors in tenant/host operations.

Amtrak, BLET, and SMART-TD seek to shield the reporting employees and the railroad from punitive sanctions that would otherwise arise as provided in 49 CFR 242.403, *Criteria for revoking certification*, to encourage locomotive engineer reporting of close calls and to protect locomotive engineers and Amtrak from discipline or sanctions arising from the incidents reported pursuant to the new IMOU.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- Fax: 202-493-2251.

- Mail: Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

- Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received within October 14, 2014 of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). See <http://www.regulations.gov/#/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of regulations.gov or interested parties may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477).

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 20, 2014.

Ron Hynes,

Director, Office of Safety Assurance and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 25, 2014.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, on or after the date of publication of this notice.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before September 29, 2014 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collections, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to (1) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Treasury, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC

20503, or email at OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.gov and (2) Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 8141, Washington, DC 20220, or email at PRA@treasury.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the submissions may be obtained by emailing PHA@treasury.gov, calling (202) 622-1295, or viewing the entire information collection request at www.reginfo.gov.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1420.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: Claim for Refund of Excise Taxes.

Form: Form 8849.

Abstract: Internal Revenue Code sections 6402, 6404, 6511 and sections 301.6402-2, 301.6404-1, and 301.6404-3 of the regulations, allow for refunds of taxes (except income taxes) or refund, abatement, or credit of interest, penalties, and additions to tax in the event of errors or certain actions by IRS. Form 8849 is used by taxpayers to claim refunds of excise taxes. Changes were made to Form 8849's Schedule 3 as a result of the expiration of credits for biodiesel and renewable diesel, and alternative fuel and alternative fuel mixtures after December 31, 2013. These credits had previously expired at the end of 2011 and were extended retroactively in 2013. As a result of the expiration, Schedule 3 is only used to claim the Alternative Fuel Credit, for Liquefied Hydrogen.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits; Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or households; Farms; State, local, or tribal governments.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 923,026.

OMB Number: 1545-2200.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Form 8944—Preparer Hardship Waiver Request; Form 8948—Preparer Explanation for Not Filing Electronically.

Form: Form 8944, Form 8948.

Abstract: Specified tax return preparers use Form 8944 to request an undue hardship waiver from the Internal Revenue Code section 6011(e)(3) requirement to electronically file returns of income tax imposed by subtitle A on individuals, estates, and trusts. Form 8948 is used only by specified tax return preparers to explain why a particular return is being filed on paper. The form is used by specified tax return preparers to identify returns that meet allowable exceptions to the electronic filing requirement.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 18,270,900.

Brenda Simms,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the submission may be obtained by emailing PRA@treasury.gov, calling (202) 622-1295, or viewing the entire information collection request at www.reginfo.gov.

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund

OMB Number: 1559-0042.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Capacity Building Initiative.

Abstract: Pursuant to the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (the Act), as amended (12 U.S.C. 4701 et seq.), the CDFI Fund provides training and technical assistance to Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and similar entities in order to enhance their ability to make loans and investments and provide services for the benefit of designated investment areas and targeted populations. The information collected will be used to identify specific topics for training and

technical assistance and develop course content which is tailored to the needs and capacity levels of recipients. The requested information is necessary to support effective use of Federal resources.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits; not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 9,000.

Brenda Simms,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-NEW]

Proposed Information Collection (Center for Verification and Evaluation [CVE] Verification Program) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: VA OSDBU, is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed new collection of information, including each extension of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to (1) determine the adequacy of the CVE pre-verification process, (2) determine the efficiency of the verification process through its determination stage, (3) identify pitfalls in the verification program through participants who decided not to go through the process again.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before October 27, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Milagros Ortiz, OSDBU, 00SB, or email to: milagros.ortiz@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-NEW (CVE Verification Program)" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Milagros Ortiz at (202) 461-4279 or Fax (202) 461-4301.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, OMB invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OMB's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OMB's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: CVE Verification Program.

OMB Control Number: 2900-NEW.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) CVE is required to measure the effectiveness of different stages of the afore-mentioned verification process and how it fulfills Veterans' needs. The stages to be measured are the pre-application, post-determination, and exit. To collect this processing information, CVE will solicit voluntary opinions of verification applicants. The results will be used to improve different areas of this program.

Affected Public: Service-disabled Veteran-owned small business (SDVOSB) owners and Veteran-owned small business (VOSB) owners that have gone through the verification process (pre-application, post-determination, or exit stages).

Estimated Annual Burden: 150 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per

Respondent: 3 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Every other year (the verification status lasts for 2 years).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 250 per month (3,000 per year).

Dated: August 22, 2014.

By direction of the Secretary.

Crystal Rennie,

Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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